

## **Russian Defence Ministry report on the progress of the special military operation in Ukraine**

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### **Russian Federation Armed Forces continue the special military operation.**


■ **In Kupyansk direction**, more than **30** Ukrainian servicemen, **2** infantry fighting vehicles and **4** vehicles have been eliminated as a result of the shelling of enemy strongpoints near Kislovka, Krakhmalnoye and Berestovoye (Kharkov region).

■ **In Krasniy Liman direction**, as a result of the Russian attack aircraft and artillery the enemy's munition and artillery have been neutralised near Nevskoye and Novolyubovka (Lugansk People's Republic). In addition, **2** AFU sabotage and reconnaissance groups have been destroyed near Medvezhye tract and Serebryansky forestry (Lugansk People's Republic). Over **40** Ukrainian servicemen and mercenaries, **3** armoured fighting vehicles and **2** pick-up trucks have been eliminated.

■ **In Donetsk direction**, Russian troops, supported by attack aircraft and artillery strikes, continued their offensive.

High-precision strikes by the Russian Aerospace Forces have hit enemy strongpoints near Artyomovsk (Donetsk People's Republic). More than **80** Ukrainian servicemen and mercenaries, **2** tanks, **5** armoured fighting vehicles and **6** motor vehicles have been eliminated.

■ **In South Donetsk direction**, up to **45** Ukrainian servicemen, **4** armoured personnel carriers and **3** pickup trucks have been eliminated as a result of active actions of Russian units and complex fire attacks on the AFU near Novomayorskoye, Prechistovka and Vodyanoye (Donetsk People's Republic).

 **Operational-tactical and Aviation, Missile Troops and Artillery** have neutralised **62** AFU artillery units in firing positions, manpower and military equipment in **87** areas. **2** AFU artillery munition depots have been destroyed near Novoselidovka (Donetsk People's Republic).

💣 **1 US-made AN/TPQ-50 counter-battery control station** has been destroyed near Ivano-Daryevka (Donetsk People's Republic). **1 Ukrainian S-300 surface-to-air missile system** has been destroyed near Kharkov.

💣 **2 US-made M777 artillery systems** have been destroyed during counter-battery warfare near Selidovo (Donetsk People's Republic). In addition, **2 US-made M777 artillery systems** have been destroyed near Konstantinovka, from which shelling of residential areas of the Donetsk People's Republic had been carried out.

✈️ **1 AFU Su-25 aircraft** has been shot down by the Russian Aerospace Forces near Orekhovo-Vasilevka (Donetsk People's Republic). **1 Ukrainian Mi-8 helicopter** has been shot down near Kramatorsk (Donetsk People's Republic).

💣 **10 unmanned aerial vehicles** have been shot down by anti-aircraft defence forces near Makeyevka, Novovodyanoye and Kremennaya (Lugansk People's Republic), Olginka, Volodino, Kuteynikovo, Yasinovataya (Donetsk People's Republic), Malinovka, Maliye Shcherbaki and Pologi (Zaporozhye region). In addition, **2 US-made HIMARS multiple-launch rockets** have been intercepted near Komissarovka (Lugansk People's Republic).

📊 **In total, 351** airplanes and **189** helicopters, **2,704** unmanned aerial vehicles, **399** air defence missile systems, **7,207** tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles, **936** fighting vehicles equipped with MLRS, **3,702** field artillery cannons and mortars, as well as **7,722** units of special military hardware have been destroyed during the special military operation.

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■ **Admiral Nikolay Yevmenov, the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy, and Sergei Karakaev, the Commander of Strategic Rocket Forces,** speak about the results of the year.

💣 **1 Ukrainian electronic warfare station,**

**1 M777** artillery repair point and **3 munition depots** have been destroyed.

✈️ **2 AFU MiG-29 aircraft** and **1 Mi-8 helicopter** have been destroyed by Russian Armed Forces.

📺 **Footage** of combat actions of Russian T-72B3M tank, Su-25 ground-attack aircraft and 2S3 Akatsiya SPG within the special military operation.

🪖 **Mobilised personnel and volunteers** continue their training in the rear area of the special military operation.

⚓ **Combat ships** of Pacific Fleet and Chinese naval forces begin practising tasks of Sea Cooperation 2022.